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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, October 5, 2001.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STEVEN C.
LATOURETTE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord God, our mighty fortress in the past, our hope for years to come, be with us now as a House truly representative of the people of this great Nation.

As we approach this holiday weekend and rejoice in the risky adventure, as well as the discoveries of Columbus, shield us from fear and guide our destiny to stabilize the future.

May our national undertakings of this new millenium, as dangerous as they may be, lead us to new understandings of a globalized world and our place within it. Let the fragile ships of freedom and justice and the strong winds of patience and resolve take us to hidden shores of peace.

Grant again safe travel for Your people. Protect our families here and our military forces abroad. Lord, on this Columbus Day, help us discover new depths to America's spirit, both now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. LaHood) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. LaHOOD led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed bills and a joint resolution of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1417. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

S. 1418. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military construction, and for other purposes.

S. 1419. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 1465. An act to authorize the President to exercise waivers of foreign assistance restrictions with respect to Pakistan through September 30, 2003, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 18. Joint resolution memorializing fallen firefighters by lowering the United States flag to half-staff on the day of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES ON H.R. 2590, TREASURY AND GEN-ERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIA-TIONS ACT, 2002

Mr. ISTOOK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the

Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 2590) making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes, with a Senate amendment thereto, disagree to the Senate amendment, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oklahoma? The Chair hears none and, without objection, appoints the following conferees: Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. WOLF, Mrs. NORTHUP, and Messrs. SUNUNU, PETERSON of Pennsylvania, TIAHRT, SWEENEY, SHERWOOD, YOUNG of Florida, and HOYER, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Messrs. PRICE of North Carolina, ROTHMAN, VISCLOSKY, and OBEY.

There was no objection.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 252 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 252

Resolved. That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2883) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. Points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 3(c) of rule XIII are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall

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